

Benazir Bhutto Assassinated

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That poor country needs a Chavez or some Avo Morales to put the americans where they belong, in some circus tent, with their action packed El War on Terror show.

Sorry, is it spelt waar? in that part of the world.

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Pakistan definitely does not need a Chavez...and that's not coming from a Pro-American, Flag Flying Patriotism. Chavez is just another corrupt leader who's making a name for himself and trying to rile things up by appearing to fight the Great American enemy.

With the oil discoveries in Brazil, he's becoming less and less important and more and more just another dictator.

The Pakistani people need a real reformation movement. They have had corruption and dictatorship almost my entire life...if you count ZAB, all my life.

I often wonder in places where SO many live under such hardship how these governments survive. As someone who is very close to my Eastern European roots, I see the lessons of the rise of the Soviet Union and wonder how these have not been learned by the masses, both the successes and deep failures of the Revolution.

Like it or not, Benazir represented democracy in action. A Populist vote to determine the direction of the Government. A vote for her was a vote that the people wanted to move in that direction. People had read the news reports with her corruption charges, the allegations of her husband's bribes and the allegations she had her brother killed. Yet, so many still supported her? Why?

Everyone here seems to discount basic human intelligence. Why would someone want to support/vote for a woman with such a shady past? What was she offering that the other candidates do not?

My mother calls every 4 years a choice of the lesser evil in American politics and I agree. My husband had a bumper sticker in our home office that said Chthulu 2004,

Why Vote for a Lesser Evil? (Lovecraft reference for none sci-fi/horror fans)

All the candidates for the US President stink (save Ron Paul, and he won't be able to do anything if elected because of partisanship) and we as voters must choose a President from their ranks. No one is fooled into thinking anyone will be perfect. We just must choose what direction we want to go in.

Pakistan faces similar issues. Do they want to move away from dictatorship? Would they rather stay as is? Do they want to join the "Western" economies? Would they rather stay out of international politics?

For most Pakistanis, it's not this complicated. It's about their paychecks, the roof over their head and the food on the table. If the people in power are not giving them what they need, they will look elsewhere. Who do they have to choose from now? Certainly not anyone that's really going to do it.

I don't think putting a 19 year old in charge was smart. It just painted a big target on her son's back. He should be worrying about University right now, not some family legacy. I was sorry to see that choice was made.

In the end though, who's really to blame for the situation in Pakistan. The British? Corrupt Pakistani Politicians? The tolerance of the People.

This would be very simple if it were not for AQ Khan's work. If not for the risk of a nuke getting into the wrong hands, I would say populist revolution would move things in the right direction. But, the size of certain groups would almost ensure long periods of bloodshed or just another dictator in the mix.

So, who is it that can make any change? Nawaz Sharif? Mushareff? Bhutto's husband (definitely not).

Pakistan needs a Peter the Great...someone to drag them kicking and screaming out of the status quo, but someone strong enough to hold the position long enough for the changes to be made. I just don't see anyone who remotely fits the bill.

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Wonderfull Angela, so Chavez is just another dictator (accidentally voted in?) yet in the end, Pakistan needs a dictator. Huh?

You are an intelligent woman, Angela, please stop forming your opinions on what the MSM feeds you. Whisper's post clearly itemised the misdeeds of Ms. Bhutto's father, and the entire country knows her husband as a criminal. There's no grey line about criminal conduct in these countries, unlike Washington, where the criminals hide behind smoke screens.

You seem so confident in your judgement of a country and its people, and yet you have never been there. Pakistan needs a real grass roots social movement, not more autocrats (Bhutto legacy), more army generals or foreign educated pseudo Muslims. It needs someone to stand up for what the people need (Benazir could not even speak their languages, let alone understand their needs, have you read the William Dalrymple article posted a couple pages back?) just like Evo Morales, and yes, your reviled Ch vez (he's not perfect either, but wasn't that your defense of corrupt Bhutto...?) and Ecuador's rafael Correa. People who stand up to the

US/IMF bully and seek the advancement of their country, on THEIR OWN terms.

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I was not surprised to hear that Benazir wanted her son to take her place should she die. Nepotism immediately sprung to my mind. This was something she thought too when she was in office.

some of us are a lot like cement:- all mixed up and permanently set

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Well, I think you misunderstand what I mean by Peter the Great. He was a hereditary monarch vs a dictator. The point was he was Educated in a time where the vast majority of Russians were not. They were stuck in customs and superstitions and falling behind the rest of the world. Peter the Great learned engineering in Prussia. He studied the naval fleets of the other powers and why his own people were stuck in the mud.

He got rid of the corrupt boyar class. He brought a naval force to Russia, established a trading port, encouraged learning. He died incidently because he waded into ice cold waters to save a man's life.

I don't see Chavez catching pneumonia anytime soon to save a man's life. Nor do I see him making any great reforms. You say elected, but did you see the protests and votes that recently happened there? Opposition party leaders being shot at or imprisoned?

I form my opinions based on history, you let your hatred of one country bias your entire view of things. So what that Bhutto had a western education? Why is that bad? She went to Harvard and Cambridge (or was is Oxford?), both colleges I would have given a limb to attend, but I was too poor and/or too st\*\*id. I had to settle for Dickinson College...where I studied...International Relations and Eastern European Studies. I also took classes in Eastern Religion, Eastern Philosophy, Indian History and Culture and even a class about Aliens...ooooohhh..

I'm not some neo-con toady who believes the western media. Nor do I even remotely like my countries policies towards the rest of the world. I want to return to the isolationist doctrines of pre-WWI. The founding father's warned to stay out of international politics.

You act as if a woman who had the fortune to get the best of educations should somehow be punished for it. pseudo-Muslim? So, I'm to take it the man who killed her and blew himself up is to be considered a real muslim? How about Ahmadinejad? Is he to be considered a real muslim? What makes a real muslim? I thought it was belief in one God and his Prophet. I didn't know that you had to follow other criteria to be considered a real Muslim. I'll remember to tell my dear friend who's a non-hijabi western educated white woman she's not a real muslim.

You think you're just so smart...I'm American, so I must be some dumb bimbo who watches Fox Noise. I think Whisper specifically said that

Better we start with ZAB, her father, a man who I came to know, personally, because

of a range of our mutual friends and grew to admire some positive aspects of his person.

Yet, I still listed him in the dictatorships that have ruled Pakistan since my birth. Now, can an indecisive person hold power in Pakistan? Answer me that. If you are not prepared to desperately hold onto power in that country, are you even remotely able to. No...because there is always another Mushareff waiting in the wings.

The need a strong leader...strong does not mean dictator, but it does mean that the person has to be willing to fight and defend to keep their positions. If an entire governmental system is corrupt, don't you have to know how to play the game.

Example. Gorbachev, he had to play the games at home to get the breakthroughs. Study the man and you will see both a Soviet dictator and a reformer. But, he was into a position where he had to fight from within. Chavez got in and is trying to force socialism based on the recently forgotten mistaken idea that socialism helps the poor. Gorbachev was not a good man to everyone, yet without his leadership, the USSR might still be there.

Peter the Great entered one system and tried to bring about positive changes. Who knows what more he could have accomplished if he lived? Gorbachev entered a system and saw it through to the Coup to stop his changes. Yeltsin took over and tried to keep Russia headed in that direction. When he was too sick to keep holding power... the KGB got control again and look where Russia is...back to where it was in the late 80's.

Why did the reforms in Russia fail? The leadership weakened. In this world of corruption, you must have a particularly crafty and strong leader to get anything done. They have to be able to play the game.

Sasha is a jewel of a man. Full of integrity, intelligence and drive. But, honestly...how long would a man like him stay in power in Pakistan?

You're right, I've never been there. There's a reporter I like who's Pakistani... Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy. Have you heard of her? She really gives a wonderful view of the prospects of educated Pakistani women. She also gives her concerns on what she sees happening in her own country. I've met some wonderful men and women who are Pakistani, married to Pakistanis or lived there for a short time. I grew to really respect the people of Pakistan and think they got the short end of the stick from the Brits. Of course, recently, I've also been insulted numerous times by Pakistani men. So, its a bit of a double edged sword. I would LOVE to visit Pakistan. I don't think I

would enjoy it though. If they would treat me half as bad as some of those I met have...I probably would go away with a bad view on a culture I thought prided itself on its hospitality.

Historically, Culturally, Religiously, you cannot separate Pakistan from the Western/Middle Eastern Influences that have shaped it. From the Alexander the Great, the Persian Kings, Hindu Kings, Mugals, British...Pakistan hasn't really had time to be on its own. So you can't really judge anyone as being not this or not that. They simply are.

I liked Benazir. Nothing you say will change that. Imagine yourself a 17 year old girl who's only introduction to Islam was a rude Southeast Asian man at the National Mosque and a book called Princess. Then see a predominantly Muslim country elect a WOMAN as Prime Minister. Perhaps there is more reasons for me to look past her failings than there are for me to dwell on them. The same reason I still feel deeply about how good and wonderful Princess Diana was compared with the naughty behavior and scandals that followed her to her death.

I feel you are just too anti-Western despite your being Dutch for you to have an objective look at anything I say. So with that, Peace

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Why all these democratic parties when their flag bearers dies his/her immediate family members take the flag. That should be real family democratic process.

Democracy is a mere fig leaf for exceptionally naked regal aspirations, my brother.

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Last fall, a friend from Pakistan and I were on chat. He sent me a link to a Bhutto

speech. She was giving her speech in English. And as he pointed out, the people do not speak English, how are they to know what she is saying? Ad he felt the speech was for the US govt. Not the people of Pakistan. And education of the masses did not improve under her rule before.

People use this buzz word "democracy." Yes you can vote, but your dirt-poor, illiterate etc. The future of your children looks bleak. All of this "anti-terrorist" rhetoric and resources is a diversion from the real issues facing people.

Angela, on one level, I too can appreciate that she was a strong woman. On the other hand, I cannot but hope for more because she was a woman. I don't know if that makes sense?

I don't think I would enjoy it though. If they would treat me half as bad as some of those I met have...I probably would go away with a bad view on a culture I thought prided itself on its hospitality.

Actually you would probably be treated better there then 95% of places in the world. Having traveled alot, and knowing many travelers, Pakistanis are some of the most hospitable people on this planet.

Having spent months there on two visits, ironically the only place I felt unwelcome, and this is traveling all over, was in a rich doctor's house. He had been educated in the west, lived in a huge house and had a Sweedish wife. Everywhere else was great.

When you do things from your soul, you feel a river moving in you, a joy. Rumi

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That really doesn't surprise me Hayfa. My cousin went to India for a year. She was in the far north. Initially they put her with a doctor and his family. She was miserable. They were offended because she insisted on making her own bed and meals instead of having the servants do it. She asked for a transfer and was put in the modest home of a local businessman. She loved the rest of her trip. They treated her like family and she really got to spend time getting to know the local customs.

I think I missed out by staying in a Dormitory in Moscow, but I didn't get a choice.

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Angela, I assume most of your post was aimed at me ... I'm surprised that you seem to find it necessary to give us a lecture on history, and details of your formal education to justify your support of Benazir Bhutto.

Your remarks about seeing the protests against Ch vez in Venezuela is what I meant about forming your opinions from what you ve seen on TV. TV in America will only show you the protests against him. I m sure you didn t know about the CIA covert operation to skew the recent vote on constitutional reforms either. Google  Operacion Tenazas . They used students as one tactic to form demos against Ch vez. He lost this recent vote by 1% of the counts. And he quite gracefully (I admit, that s hard for him) conceded defeat, he didn t roll out the tanks. Hardly an overwhelming victory for the right wing opposition wouldn t you say? If you are interested in expanding your current perspective, there are plenty of opportunities on the web to investigate whether your dislike of Ch vez is based on what you ve been told by the US msm, or whether he is something more than what you thought. It s up to you.

You say you form your opinions based on history. Is it possible do you think, that history is usually written by the victors and their approved historians? I prefer to question the version of history served up to me, which always creates heroes out of the those who  fit the bill . Currently President Putin enjoys an overwhelming 80% approval rating from his countrymen. But in the English speaking world he is reviled as a cruel and mysoginistic semi-dictator, controlling the news and a covert war on journalism, ordering the spectacular assassination of ex-spies and indiscriminately killing terrorists along with their hostages. Whose version of this history will be the one you accept: the Putin supporter living in

Moscow, or the CNN reporter lamenting Putin's Black-belt swagger?

You say: You act as if a woman who had the fortune to get the best of educations should somehow be punished for it. pseudo-Muslim? I was referring to the fact that Benazir's foreign education meant she was in effect an outsider within her own nation. Hardly the best credentials to base your politics on, particularly in an area of the world where colonial rule has left a decidedly bitter after taste. And pseudo Muslim refers to the fact that most, if not all, Pakistanis in power and office are alcohol drinkers, yet quite happy to impose restrictions of all kinds on their subjects. The rest of your deductions from my post are purely the result of your emotionally overheated reaction.

Quote: I feel you are just too anti-Western despite your being Dutch for you to have an objective look at anything I say. I'm intrigued Angela, where did you get the impression I am Dutch? And as for being unable to view anything you say objectively, well, I could say the same thing back. I apologise if I appeared patronising.

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The Pakistani people need a real reformation movement.

Absolutely and they have been fighting for it for a long time. It's now in the offing.

Like it or not, Benazir represented democracy in action.

She loved democracy, as long as it landed her in the Prime Minister's house.

A Populist vote to determine the direction of the Government.

The Royal Family determined the direction of the Government exactly like the direction now of the party!

. . . allegations of her husband's briberies and the allegations she had her brother killed.

Why would her mother hold her responsible for her brother's killing? Or, the Swiss Prosecutor register a money laundering case against them?

Yet, so many still supported her? Why?

Possibly for the same reason as so many supported Adolph?

Initially, because she was a slain man's daughter. How many would have supported her, this time, remains untested. The Made in America label had lost a sizeable chunk of her vote bank

Why would someone want to support/vote for a woman with such a shady past? What was she offering that the other candidates do not?

Solely for her father's name!

Do they want to move away from dictatorship?

They have always been struggling against it

Would they rather stay as is?

Nope

Do they want to join the "Western" economies?

A majority seems to find it a bit out of their taste

Would they rather stay out of international politics?

The pobres are nowhere in International politics, it's just that the international politics or to be more precise, the International killing has taken over their lives.

Right now the Pakistanis have just one desire, they don't want to be killed in the name of this War on Terror circus, with their man as its kingpin! They have had it up to here with the US running their country for her own agenda.

For most Pakistanis, its not this complicated. Its about their paychecks, the roof over their heads the food on the table. If the people in power are not giving them what they need, they will look elsewhere.

There priorities are a bit different.

They believe that the bread bit doesn't lie with any man, but with the Raziq (Bread Giver). They want their government to be free from any involvement with the killers of Iraqi and Afghan people.

I don't think putting a 19 year old in charge was smart. It just painted a big target on her son's back. He should be worrying about University right now, not some family legacy. I was sorry to see that choice was made.

If you knew BB or her actual agenda, you won't have expected anything else.

In the end though, who's really to blame for the situation in Pakistan. The British? Corrupt Pakistani Politicians? The tolerance of the People.

All of them + the US

This would be very simple if it were not for AQ Khan's work. If not for the risk of a nuke getting into the wrong hands, I would say populist revolution would move things in the right direction.

It's just no more than American scare mongering aimed at the home market, to justify their obsession with Musharref.



But, the size of certain groups would almost ensure long periods of bloodshed or just another dictator in the mix.

None of that sort at all. The US plan has misfired. People are not as naïve as they are painted by the media. All of this will settle down if elections are not rigged and if Musharref is kicked out. He is the problem.

So, who is it that can make any change?

The country has some of the finest talented men and women. Things are moving faster than the western press would wish their world to know.

Well, I think you misunderstand what I mean by Peter the Great.

Pakistan has Aitazaz the Great + a country full of Bar Associations.

So what that Bhutto had a western education?

That's the one and only thing that seems to appeal to the west and almost all the time she is waltzing to the western gallery. It just stinks and had lost a good chunk of her vote bank. Her loss might recover some of it.

Why is that bad?

That's not bad in itself, her arrogance about it is.

She went to Harvard and Cambridge (or was is Oxford?), both colleges I would have given a limb to attend, but I was too poor and/or too st\*\*id.

Well, we should let good things just rest. You wouldn't have to give anything at all had your father been, say, the President even of Tuvalu Islands!

You would have been sitting next to her.

I'm not some neo-con toady who believes the western media. Nor do I even remotely like my countries policies towards the rest of the world. I want to return to the isolationist doctrines of pre-WWI. The founding father's warned to stay out of international politics.

Angela, I recognise and respect your calibre and your mind.

Now, can a indecisive person hold power in Pakistan? Answer me that.

Holding on the power, by all means, is a legacy of the country's imperial past.

And, only the weak and the insecure hold power via abuse of the state apparatus.

I would rather skip ZAB,s sad childhood story, but I would just say that I have yet to come across a more insecure and psychologically disturbed man than him, anywhere.

People are people, they do respond to gentleness in a society that reveres her saints more than her kings. This lesson doesn't mix with the leaders who have been planted on the unfortunate people of that country always with some imperial design!

If you are not prepared to desperately hold onto power in that country, are you even remotely able to.

It's a fallacy, promoted by the west, for justifying their puppets' abuses.

The situation is otherwise.

No...because there is always another Mushareff waiting in the wings.

The other Musharefs get a chance only with the incumbents' abuse of power.

The need a strong leader...strong does not mean dictator, but it does mean that the person has to be willing to fight and defend to keep their positions.

Yes, in a Costa Nostra family running a protection racket, leaders focus on winning hearts and minds of people through positive projects.

If an entire governmental system is corrupt, don't you have to know how to play the game.

Weak, insecure and the incompetent imposed leaders corrupt the system, they have to make all the hay before their masters find their replacements.

Sasha is a jewel of a man. Full of integrity, intelligence and drive. But, honestly...how long would a man like him stay in power in Pakistan?

At least, for 107 days and then the Masters will find out that he is working for the people and he will be liquidated!

I would LOVE to visit Pakistan. I don't think I would enjoy it though. If they would treat me half as bad as some of those I met have...I probably would go away with a bad view on a culture I thought prided itself on its hospitality.

Unfortunately the ones in the US don't set the best example. They have left their country for greed and a horde of other plastic and out of taste reasons. The average Pakistani is one of the most beautiful persons I have ever met. He lives in his village and may not be able to read or write.

You will enjoy it more than you might think.

And, it would be an honour to have you as our (the Khaliqia Community's and also mine) guest for as long as you wish to stay there.

I liked Benazir.

I agree, she was very lucky in that aspect, anyone who didn't know her, just loved her.

Then see a predominantly Muslim country elect a WOMAN as Prime Minister.

Does some credit also go to the people, of that Islamic country, for elected her as their first woman Prime Minister?

The same reason I still feel deeply about how good and wonderful Princess Diana was compared with the naughty behavior and scandals that followed her to her death.

It is a strange coincidence that I knew both the women you have mentioned, closely. Diana was the exact opposite of BB, the more you knew her the more you admired and respected her.

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Sasha,

You never cease to inspire jealousy in me. I would have loved to have met Diana. Her AIDS work inspired so many.

Perhaps Bhutto wasn't perfect...but in the end, it was a savage and barbaric act. I still don't understand any justification for killing 134 people when she showed up and then another 20 after they'd already shot her in the head. There is just a level of brutal savagery that these people use to affect politics that's inexcusable. Instead of blowing up the opposition, perhaps they should form their own parties and do it the right way. Two wrongs do not make a right....however, three lefts do.

Duende,

How do you know Benazir was an alcohol drinker? Curious.

I thought you were Dutch because you appear with the Cartoon scandal, but that was Danish now that I think about it. LOL What's it matter, European is European.

And for Putin, again...I don't take my opinions from Western Media. I speak Russian, I lived there. My family is from what is now the Ukraine. Putin is old guard KGB, don't trust Russian polls. They are as tainted as American polls.

Here's a little bit of information for you. Dissident leaders in Russia are being either murdered or locked up in Psychiatric Facilities. Did you know that? A recent incident where an opposition leader to Putin's successor was prevented from registering for the elections because he could not rent office space to fill the requirements for his party meetings. I did a search for it so you can read about it, I learned from a friend.

<http://www.debianhelp.org/node/9505>

Putin may have an 80% approval rating in Moscow which was being taken over by the Mafia in 1997 when I was there. Moscow is a city of excess and is about as much a representation of the average Russian as living in Beverly Hills is a representation of being American or living in Dubai being the average Arab Muslim.

But, I guarantee you he's not got a 80% approval rating in reality. Of course, you point out Bhutto's connection with her brother's death, so I point out a man by the name of Alexander Litvinenko. Handsome man...well until the end that is. There was Anna Politkovskaya. Gorbachev isn't really allowed to go anywhere, he's virtually

under house arrest, but get anyone to admit to that.

Moscovites are loving it, fancy cars, excesses... but ask the poor slops living in Vladivostok about their River. Go out to the countryside and see what's going on there. Go to Chechnya see how they feel about Putin. Putin is old guard. I knew he was going to do this stuff when he took over for Boris Yeltsin. I told my husband that his appointment was the end of Russian Democracy. Mat said I was being paranoid, it would never get that bad again. Heh....whatever.

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Whisper, did you know that the Iranian TV praised Binazir Bhutto?

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Angela, I am struck by the difference in ♦tone♦ of your attitude towards me, and your attitude towards Sasha. Towards Sasha you have a tone of deference, you speak of being jealous and of how wonderful he is.

Towards me, you say: ♦You think you're just so smart.♦

I can♦t help but notice the acceptance Whisper (a man) enjoys from you and the off-hand annoyance I (a woman) inspire in you. It has something to do with the long tradition within patriarchal societies, of accepting that a man can, and we're trained to accept-most likely does-have a superior intellect, and the peculiar self-defeating attitude of feminists: that implies if it♦s a woman, it can♦t be smarter than you, and if she is, she must be a bitch.

My goodness, feminism/society has further to go than I imagined!

By the way, I did not say Benazir drank alcohol.

♦I thought you were Dutch because you appear with the Cartoon scandal,



but that was Danish now that I think about it.💎

-My 💎appearance💎 here was two months prior to the cartoon scandal, in which I don💎t even recall making a post, but if it💎s important we can both check 💎. My 💎location💎 here is and always has been Spain. Which is not even close to Denmark or Holland, which makes your casual assumption of my nationality even stranger. And so I see you could give a damn whether the cartoon scandal arose in Holland, Italy, France, or the Tuvalu Isles.

💎LOL What's it matter, European is European.💎

Your offhand attitude towards 💎Europeans💎 which tells me you think all Europeans are the same, is patronising in the extreme. You often talk about your ex-Soviet 💎origins💎, about your Ukrainian 💎roots💎 and so I hope you can see how insulting it can be, to not give a damn about a person💎s origins and think it normal to confuse their nationality with 28 others. I don💎t like to identify myself with any given 💎nationality💎, I think you💎d agree there are far more complex and deeper elements which identify a person, regardless of where they💎re born, where they grow up or where they live. But I have a suspicion you would be mortally upset if someone were to say: 💎Bhutto? Paki, Indian, Bangladeshi? ..bah! They💎re all the same.💎

💎Here's a little bit of information for you.💎- Thank you. Litvinenko wrote a book exposing the possible Kremlin involvement with the apartment bombings blamed on Chechen 💎terrorists💎. In other words, he had inside information alleging the Kremlin had a hand in the creation of the Chechen problem. Exactly like the information which alleges the CIA/UK

formed the early Al-Qaeda. There were many motives for his assassination, and the spectacular nature of it, was a clear warning to all who seek the truth. He reverted to Islam in his last hours, I'm sure from personal conviction, but many also took this to be a signal of deference towards the Chechens whom he had befriended, and an act of final defiance of those who sought to control him- ultimately Putin, his ex-boss. Not his brother.

Yes, I also know Russian journalists are more at risk within Russia than journalists who are embedded with troops in Iraq.

I suppose, since you seem to make quick assessments, you now have me boxed as a Putin supporter. Whatever as you would say.

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Sawtul- : what nation's press did NOT praise her?

Or are we to join your bandwagon berating and bashing Iran because of this?

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You never cease to inspire jealousy in me. I would have loved to have met Diana. Her AIDS work inspired so many.

Not at all my fault, she just wanted to marry my Nephew-in-Chief (my sister's son) and visited us even at or Lahore residence. You must have heard of the Cardiac surgeon, Hasnaat Khan?

How do you know Benazir was an alcohol drinker? Curious.

She didn't have much of a thirst, really.

We never met after her cousin's November 1985 party. She she was dating good old Derek (half Jamaican-half Irish not at all known TV actor). Like her brother, Shahnawaz, she preferred the "other" stuff.

Contrary to their claims, for mere political mileage out of his death, Shahnawaz was bent upon killing himself, with frequent overdosing.

But that's niether here nor there. The fact remains plain, honest, simple: IF SHE WEREN'T the single most dangerous person for los pobre 172 million Pakistanos the US won't have wished to plant her on them!

In my wake of over 40 years of global event watching, not just vis the newsmedia, but far more at the more active in depth level, I have yet to see ONE right person the US ever pushed on to the Muslim world.

In fact, they have mutilated, killed, finished off - not just in the physical sense alone - anyone ever they found to be positive. I have come to believe that it's Anglo-American agenda, to sow discontent, public unrest and civil wars in the Islamic countries. Now, it's Pakistan's turn.

Could anyone show me just one Muslim country that the US have touched in the past half century and it hasn't curdled into extremism or not blown in their faces?

Just one?

Benazir Bhutto Assassinated

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I dont know I didnt watch the TV of all countries in the world and Im pretty sure you didnt either.

Whether or not other nations praised her, Iran claims to be "Islamic" and "anti-Zionist" and "anti-USA" and call USA "the great satan" and falsely accuse many many Muslims of being "agents of America".

But when it came to this woman who was obviously an agent, they praise her...  
hmhhh

Also interesting to note that this Real American agent (Bhutto) came from a Shia family and despite some claims that she had "converted" and become Sunni, she never practiced Sunni Islam and in fact there are pictures of her wearing a dress on which it says "Ya Ali" (something that Shia say and Sunnis dont).

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Blam. Exactly, Duende. Come on. For example, the anti-  
shia public-access cable show, "Sawtul's World" where two slacker  
reporters (Sawtul and Crasss) lambasted Bhutto, singing with a Persian  
disco hit, "Benzi's Gotta a Big ol Bhut"

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Thank God we can get back to the real issues. In a typical pro-Iranian black-ops move, Bhutto's assassination was trying to cover up Iran's cover up of it's allegiance to her, so as to quietly reclaim the Sawtul given right to claim oneself "Islamic"

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[It is interesting...and bowel moving - and for the few dogs who love

playing with your homemade anti-shia, anti-iran chew-toys, I'm sure they have filled their rubber pants in approval.

Good work, Detective Sawtul! Team up with Crasss to crack this century's biggest upcoming case - that Shia spelled backward is STD.

\*I say "Ya Ali" when I telephone my pal, Ali.

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[www.theimpudentobserver.com](http://www.theimpudentobserver.com) has this view of Friday's press meeting.

Then a more recent report of Mush accepting the latest version of events.  
(There's lots of typos, the original is titled 'Muharraf' if you want to search there.)

Poor Mush, first, 'inefficiency' makes a clean up of the crime scene  
destroy vital forensic evidence. Second: invite Scotland Yard, no less, to  
investigate said crime scene. Thirdly: despite extensive evidence  
destruction, due to zealous inefficiency, re-create the suspect's features  
from .. well, from what exactly?

I think he needs a new scriptwriter. Oh, but they're still on strike in  
Hollywood, no? that explains it.

Musharraf In The Reporter's Den-Questions And Answers

January 4th, 2008 by Fred Stopsy

Pakistan President Musharraf met a hostile group of international  
reporters who refused to back away from posing tough questions. The  
first question asked apparently infuriated the president. He was asked  
how he could lead the nation when many people in the country believe  
you have blood on your hands over Benazir Bhutto's death. Musharraf's  
face went cold and he responded: I consider the question below my  
dignity to answer. However, I would like to answer it. He went on to point  
out he was raised by a cultured family that did not believe in killing  
people. But, the questions kept on coming:  
Would he bow to mounting public opinion and resign?

Was he in fear of his life given the levels of terrorist violence?

What about the charges of vote rigging before the election?

Musharraf defended his actions and made clear he was not afraid of being killed since he knew how to take care of himself. He slipped for a moment when complaining he had warned Bhutto about possible violence and even provided her with an armored car. Reporters pointed out she bought the car. He insisted her death was caused by being blown against the sun roof of the car and agreed there was need for further investigation. That is why he has summoned Scotland Yard. He did blame ♦inefficiency♦ at the crime scene of those in charge.

It is interesting that Musharraf♦s Pakistan Muslim League-Quaid♦s leader, Chaudhry Shujaat Hussain told reporters that it was important for the INter-Services Intelligence(ISI) to monitor actions of opposition political parties. ♦It keeps a watch on political parties and reports their anti-government and anti-state activities.♦ Perhaps, someone should inform Musharraf that in a democracy the opposition party is expected to oppose the state.

### Changing Stories Of Bhutto Death

January 7th, 2008 by Fred Stopsky

Pakistan security officials investigating the death of Benazir Bhutto have concluded she was killed by a single assassin who had a gun and a bomb. They believe he fired three shots and then blew himself up in order to kill the PPP leader. Plastic surgeon have reconstructed the face of the bomber and it is being circulated throughout the nation. A police officer has now stated he saw the man raise his arm, but got there too late to prevent the

explosion. President Musharraf has now admitted his agreement with the new interpretation of the death.

The United States still insists that Musharraf must be supported and the best way to achieve that purpose is by encouraging an alliance between the Bhutto's Pakistan Peoples Party and Musharraf. However, all indications are that PPP leaders are leaning toward an alliance with former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif. IN the topsy turvy world of Pakistan politics there is little hope America's coalition will emerge. We are left with a Musharraf standing alone and not allied with the opposition.

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did not believe in killing people? then who ordered the military to shoot and kill protesters after Bhutto's death ?

Anyway, yes it is awful about Bhutto's death, I don't think she was killed because she was a woman (if it did then it was little, I am with Duende that it wasn't she was leader twice before so it cannot be because of her gender) but because she was planning to make big changes (whether they were for the better or worse we won't know now) many wanted the changes, just as many people didn't and probably saw it as a threat. From what i can gather Bhutto was intent on major changes.

~ Our feet are earthbound, but our hearts and our minds have wings ~

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Govt to press Swiss case against Zardari

Our monitoring desk

PAKISTAN will pursue Asif Ali Zardari, widower of slain Benazir Bhutto, for 60 million Swiss francs (\$54 million) it says the couple hid illegally in Switzerland, reports Khaleej Times, quoting a foreign news agency.

, its lawyer said on Tuesday.

A hearing is expected to be held in Geneva in late January in the long-running money-laundering case, begun in 1997 against Benazir and Zardari, said Jacques Python,

Pakistan government's lawyer in Geneva on Tuesday.

◆We remain a civil party in the (criminal) procedure against Asic Zardari,◆ Python told the news agency. ◆To our knowledge, 60 million Swiss francs remain frozen in connection with the case.◆

The amount is four times the \$13 million previously referred to as being blocked in connection with alleged kickbacks from Swiss cargo inspection companies. Geneva judicial officials were not available to comment.

◆She (Bhutto) appears little in the bank documents. On the other hand, Zardari's name appears as the beneficial owner of most of the accounts that are frozen,◆ Python said.

◆The time has come to look at the technical issues so that the frozen funds can be returned to Pakistan.◆

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Mrs Be Aql Khan Usta : To understand the science of racial politics i asked Mrs King

She said SUNNAH is to follow the male Prophets

Because the library of the divine revelation doesn't have any feminine wing

Therefore Mrs Bhutto is latest casualty of war of ancient Jung E Jamal

Because the deeds of Islamic Khalifath is written according to Mr King's AML

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Mrs Be Aql Khan Usta

Brother, I am almost rising in love with you. Can I have you as my Morshed-in-Chief? I lost mine months ago. They are very hard to come by.

I am sure you know what is a morshed? Even Qazi Nazar ul Islam (the most famous Bangladeshi poet) once wrote a poem for his morshed, I will write three for you.